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1. GOP REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL RELEASED COMMUNIQUE ON ANGOLA

MAY 21. STATEMENT SAID ANGOLAN DECOLONIZATION REVIEWED BEFORE COUNCIL BY AFM PROGRAM COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON ANGOLA. COMMUNIQUE REAFFIRMED GOP POSITION OF "ACTIVE NEUTRALITY" AND PLEDGED RESPECT FOR ALVOR AGREEMENT. COUNCIL RULED OUT PORTUGUESE OR OTHER FOREIGN INTERFERENCE IN ANGOLA BECAUSE "DECOLONIZATION IS BASICALLY AN ANGOLAN PROBLEM." GOP PLEDGED TO HOLD FIRM LINE AGAINST FAR-LEFT AND REACTIONARY FORCES AS WELL AS IMPLEMENT DECISIONS MADE BY ANGOLAN NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMISSION.

2. STATEMENT SAID TASK AT PRESENT IS TO CONVERT QUADRIPARTITE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT INTO TRIPARTITE SYSTEM OF LIBERATION GROUPS. ON SUBJECT OF REFUGEES, GOP REAFFIRMED PLEDGE TO ASSIST PORTUGUESE IN PASSAGE BACK TO PORTUGAL AND DESCRIBED GROUP AS VICTIMS OF COLONIALIST PAST. COMMUNIQUE STRONGLY CRITICIZED "DISTORTED, ALARMIST, AND ONE-SIDED" COVERAGE OF ANGOLAN SITUATION BY LOCAL PRESS AND POLITICAL PARTY STATEMENTS. TO REMEDY INFORMATION PROBLEM, ANGOLA CABINET OF DECOLONIZATION COMMISSION AND AFM PROGRAM COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON ANGOLA IS TO PERIODICALLY RELEASE INFORMATION TO PUBLIC. COMMUNIQUE ENDED WITH STATEMENT OF "TOTAL SUPPORT" FOR GOP ARMED FORCES IN ANGOLA.

3. COMMENT: GOP HAS NOT CHANGED ITS POSITION ON ANGOLA. COMMUNIQUE IS BASICALLY DEFENSIVE DOCUMENT AIMED AT PLACATING DOMESTIC CRITICS AND, IMPLICITLY, MPLA. "ACTIVE NEUTRALITY" IS GOP ANSWER TO MPLA CHARGES OF "PASSIVITY" (REFTEL B) AND CHARGES OF "NEUTRALITY FAVORING IMPERIALIST FORCES" FROM LOCAL FAR LEFT (REFTEL C).  
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